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Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR
RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated June 18, 2002, reconsideration of the final Restriction Requirement and the rejection of claims 1-12, 16, 17, 19 and 27-36 of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested in light of the following amendments and remarks:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 5-7, 11-14, 19 and 34, as follows:

1. (Twice amended) A composition comprising a fragment of a polypeptide of the CD55 family or a derivative thereof, wherein said fragment or derivative contains a T cell epitope, and wherein said fragment is of at least seven contiguous amino acids from the following amino acid sequence:

Met	Thr	Val	Ala	Arg	Pro	Ser	Val	Pro	Ala	Ala	Leu	Pro	Leu	Leu	Gly
1				5					10					15	
Glu	Leu	Pro	Arg	Leu	Leu	Leu	Leu	Val	Leu	Leu	Cys	Leu	Pro	Ala	Val
			20					25					30		
Trp	Gly	Asp	Cys	Gly	Leu	Pro	Pro	Asp	Val	Pro	Asn	Ala	Gln	Pro	Ala
		35					40					45			
Leu	Glu	Gly	Arg	Thr	Ser	Phe	Pro	Glu	Asp	Thr	Val	Ile	Thr	Tyr	Lys
	50					55					60				